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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MIDDLE EAST VISIT BY FAA ADMINISTRATOR

BEIRUT FOR RCAA

1. FAA ADMINISTRATOR BUTTERFIELD CONSIDERING TRIP TO SEVERAL MIDDLE EASTERN COUNTRIES IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING HIS ATTENDANCE FARNBOROUGH AIRSHOW SEPTEMBER 2-6. TENTATIVE PLANNING IS TO SPEND WEEK OF SEPT 8 IN MIDDLE EAST CURRENT; THINKING IS THAT VISITS TO EGYPT, SAUDI ARABIA AND IRAN, FOR PURPOSES DESCRIBED BELOW, WOULD BE MOST USEFUL:

A) EGYPT: MEET CIVIL AVIATION OFFICIALS AND DISCUSS MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

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B) SAUDI ARABIA: MEET CIVIL AVIATION OFFICIALS AND REAFFIRM

U.S. FAA DESIRE TO HELP SAG IN IMPROVING THEIR ATC SYSTEM.
POSSIBLY DISCUSS FAA'S ROLE IN ASSISTING THE SAG IN MATTERS
RELATING TO CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY (JIDDA 3546).

C) IRAN: OBTAIN GOI REACTION TO FAA RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
IMPLEMENTING RECENT FAA STUDY OF ATC SYSTEM NEEDS, AND
CONCLUDE, IF POSSIBLE TERMS FOR DRAFT FAA/IRAN AGREEMENT,
INCLUDING ESTABLISHMENT OF IN-COUNTRY CAAG TO ASSIST IN
THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR AUTOMATED ATC SYSTEM.

2. BEFORE FINALIZING PLANS, FAA HAS ASKED DEPARTMENT
TO OBTAIN POSTS AND RCAA BEIRUT'S SUGGESTIONS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS ON PROPOSED VISIT, INCLUDING:

A) RCAA'S OPINION ON PRIORITIES AMONG MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES
FOR SUCH VISIT; SPECIFICALLY WHETHER GIVEN TIME CONSTRAINTS,
SOME OTHER COMBINATION OF COUNTRIES MIGHT OFFER BETTER
POTENTIAL BENEFITS TO THE U.S. AND ITS AVIATION INDUSTRY.

B) OTHER MATTERS WHICH SHOULD BE COVERED BEYOND THOSE
MENTIONED ABOVE.

3. WOULD BE HELPFUL IF RCAA AND FAA REPS BEIRUT COULD
ARRANGE TO MEET, BRIEF ADMINISTRATOR AT FIRST STOP
ON MIDDLE EAST TOUR.

4. APPRECIATE CABLE RESPONSE. KISSINGER

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